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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

SYVANNE, TUOMO

Examiner

Christopher J Brown

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 4/7/2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-11 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-11 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 4 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 19 November 2001 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 4/7/03, 11/19/01.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Specification

1. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: In paragraphs [10], and [0026] the word “responses” is used. The examiner suggests “responds”.

Please review the entire specification for analogous errors.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Objections

2. Claim 4 is objected to because of the following informalities: The word “responses” is used. The examiner suggests “responds”. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

3. Claims 1 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Freund US 2003/0167405.

As per claims 1, 10, and 11, Freund teaches determining the current location of a firewall based on an IP address, [0073], [0074]. Freund teaches verifying the current location

determined by carrying out a location verification procedure with a network element, [0078].

As per claim 2, Freund teaches storing a list of IP addresses of a home network (trusted zone) in a firewall, [0097]. Freund teaches comparing the trusted zone list with the current network to determine the location, [0096].

As per claim 3, Freund teaches using the IP address to determine whether the firewall is in the home network (trusted network), [0138], [0142].

As per claim 4, Freund teaches that the network element responds when the firewall is in the network of the current IP, [0078].

As per claim 5, Freund teaches identity data may be a MAC address, [0078].

As per claim 6, Freund teaches the network device may be a firewall (router), [0078].

As per claim 7, Freund teaches controlling personal firewall in a location-dependent way, [0097].

As per claim 8, Freund teaches firewall security rule updates in home network [0097].

As per claim 9 Freund teaches the ability to store log files according to the user [0141].

Conclusion

4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Minkin US 6,826,698 teaches changing security policies depending on the network.

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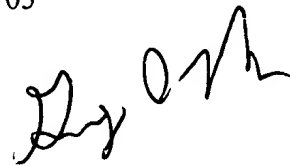
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher J Brown whose telephone number is (571)272-3833. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30-6:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gregory Morse can be reached on (571)272-3838. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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Christopher J Brown

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